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By: SHARP

9/19/85  
S.C.R. No. 121

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Besides addressing the questions of effluent criteria, stream standards, and nutrients, the committee declared one of the most critical issues to be resolved is the reliability of the operation of the waste treatment plants; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 69th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby direct the Texas Department of Water Resources and the Texas Water Commission to comply with the recommendations of the Governor's Select Committee on Water Quality Standards for the Colorado River; and, be it further <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

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S.C.R. No. \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 Chairman of the Texas Water Commission and the Executive Director
- 2 of the Texas Department of Water Resources as an expression of the
- 3 will of the Texas Legislature.

1 By: Sharp S.C.R. No. 121  
2 (In the Senate - Filed April 23, 1985; April 23, 1985, read  
3 first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;  
4 May 15, 1985, reported favorably; May 15, 1985, sent to printer.)

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35 Austin, Texas  
36 May 15, 1985

37 Hon. William P. Hobby  
38 President of the Senate

39 Sir:

40 We, your Committee on Natural Resources to which was referred  
41 S.C.R. No. 121, have had the same under consideration, and I am  
42 instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation  
43 that it do pass and be printed.

44 Santiesteban, Chairman

COMMITTEE HISTORY

COMMITTEE: Natural Resources

DATE: 5/16/85

SCR 121 was reported back to the Senate as follows:  
(Bill Number)

☒ Without amendments  
☐ With amendments  
☐ With Committee Substitute

Fiscal Implications: ☐ Yes  
☐ No

Actuarial Implications: ☐ Yes  
☐ No

	AYE	NAY	PNV	ABSENT
SEN. SANTIESTEBAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN. WILLIAMS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN. BROWN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN. KOTHMANN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN KRIER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN. LYON	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN. MONTFORD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN SARPALIUS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN. SIMS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN. TRUAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEN. URIBE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
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The following witnesses testified on the bill:

FOR

AGAINST

RESOURCE WITNESS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION  
BILL ANALYSIS

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BACKGROUND: In response to widespread citizen and environmentalist concerns regarding the cleanliness of the Colorado River, Governor Mark White established a select committee on water quality standards for the Colorado River. The task of the committee was to develop a series of proposals that could be used to protect the river from further contamination and to alleviate the already significant contamination problem in the river. In April 1985, the committee released a report that included several recommendations for action in this area.

Because the problem of river pollution has stemmed in large part from cities discharging waste into the river, the committee focussed its attentions on methods that would allow the state to exercise more authority over these discharges. The committee proposed that a specific effluent discharge criteria be imposed upon each sewage treatment plant discharging into the river. It also recommended that standards be developed on a stream-by-stream basis for effluent and nutrient control. Finally, the committee recommended that increased attention be paid to the operations and maintenance of sewage treatment plants, to insure that each plant lives up to the performance levels indicated design, and that a regional approach to sewage treatment be employed.

SCR 121 requests that the 69th Legislature direct the Texas Department of Water Resources and the Texas Water Commission to comply with the recommendations set forth by the select committee.

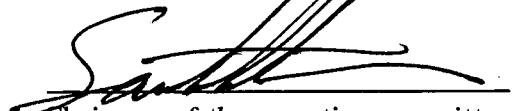
PURPOSE: To encourage state water agencies to implement measures suggested by the Governor's Select Committee on Water Quality Standards for the Colorado River in order to protect that river.

REQUEST FOR LOCAL & UNCONTESTED CALENDAR  
PLACEMENT

Hon. Roy Blake, Chairman  
Administration Committee

Sir:

Notice is hereby given that ~~SCR 121~~ SCR 121, by: Sharp,  
was heard by the Committee on Nat Resource on 5/15, 1985,  
and reported out with the recommendation that it be placed on the Local and Uncontested  
Calendar.

  
Chairman of the reporting committee

**IMPORTANT:** THIS FORM MUST BE ATTACHED TO A PRINTED COPY OF THE BILL  
OR RESOLUTION, WHICH ALONG WITH 14 ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE BILL OR  
RESOLUTION SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE OFFICE OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
ADMINISTRATION, ROOM 419. PLEASE CALL 5-1134 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.  
**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING BILLS FOR THE LOCAL CALENDAR IS 3:00 P.M.**  
**FRIDAYS.**

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May 17 1985  
Patsy Spaw  
Engrossing Clerk

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Filed May 27, 1988  
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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 121 was adopted by the  
Senate on May 17, 1985.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 121 was adopted by the House  
on May 27, 1985.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that  
S.C.R. No. 121 (1) was adopted by  
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Secretary of the Senate

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S.C.R. No. 121 (1) was adopted by  
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Directing the Texas Department of Water Resources and the Texas Water Commission to comply with the recommendations of the Governor's Select Committee on Water Quality Standards for the Colorado River.

\_\_\_\_\_ Filed with the Secretary of the Senate.

APR 23 1985

\_\_\_\_\_ Read first time and referred to Committee on

NATURAL RESOURCES

MAY 15 1985

\_\_\_\_\_ Reported favorably.

\_\_\_\_\_ Ordered not printed by the Senate.

Immediate consideration ordered by

{ unanimous consent.

\_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays.

MAY 17 1985 Laid before Senate  
\_\_\_\_\_ Read and Adopted.

Betty Murray

Secretary of the Senate

Immediate consideration ordered by unanimous consent

\_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays

\_\_\_\_\_ Read and Adopted.

Secretary of the Senate

Patsy Gawn  
Engrossing Clerk

MAY 27 1985

MOTION TO SUSPEND ALL NECESSARY RULES IN ORDER TO TAKE UP AND CONSIDER AT THIS TIME  
\_\_\_\_\_ PREVAILED BY NON-RECORD VOTE.

MAY 20 1985

Received from Senate

MAY 21 1985

Read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources

\_\_\_\_\_ Reported favorably amended and sent to Printer

\_\_\_\_\_ Printed and Distributed

\_\_\_\_\_ Sent to Committee on Calendars

MAY 27 1985

Read and Adopted ~~Failed (as amended)~~ by Non Record Vote

~~Record Vote~~ of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas \_\_\_\_\_ nays \_\_\_\_\_ present not voting

MAY 27 1985

Returned to Senate.

Betty Murray  
Chief Clerk of the House

MAY 27 1985

RETURNED FROM HOUSE

May 20, 1985 Sent to House.